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Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed March 17, 2000, applicants present the following amendment and remarks. Claims 1-27 are pending in the application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification by inserting at page 1, after the title of the invention the sentence: "This application claims the benefit of priority to Provisional Application Serial No. 60/082,167, filed April 17, 1998; Provisional Application Serial No. 60/070,486, filed January 5, 1998; and Provisional Application Serial No. 60/069,426, filed December 12, 1997.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

(amended) A cell or tissue collection medium referred to as a universal collection